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THE WINTER PORT SEASON.

The C. P. R. liner Montreal will, it is expected, get away today. This sailing brings to a close the season of 1906-7, a winter in which St. John in common with all other parts of Canada has suffered by the exceptionally severe weather. Commerce generally has been in a flourishing condition, the markets have been steady, and there was, last autumn, every ground for the expectation that the season which has just ended would prove the banner one in the history of St. John's shipping. But most unfavorable conditions arose; violent storms in upper Canada and the west hindered the prompt handling of freight and passenger business, serious congestion ensued and the result has naturally been a falling off in the amount of traffic. It has also been clearly demonstrated that Canadian railways, even in the most favorable circumstances, are incapable of carrying the business now offering; that great additions must be made to rolling stock and that road beds must be improved. This is more urgent than the building of lines into new districts, and there is reason to believe that for some time at least the railroads will devote attention to bettering their equipment rather than in seeking additional business. St. John during the winter has been able to accommodate all the steamers arriving. There have been no delays nor, with the exception of minor labor troubles, has anything arisen to interfere with the progress of the work. It is a matter of congratulation that in a winter so deplorably marked by marine disasters there has not been even a trivial accident to any steamer arriving at or leaving St. John. The records of the past few years would seem to show that with the exercise of reasonable caution this harbor is as safe for shipping as any on the coast.

The benefit of this winter traffic is becoming more and more apparent. The men who find employment during the entire season number at least three thousand and the effect of this abundance of work makes itself felt upon general business. Good times prevail in St. John during the winter months, money is plentiful, and no man need be idle.

The Star presents today a summary of the business done during the season now ending. The statement while necessarily incomplete in certain respects is as perfect as it can be made at the present time. The decision of the C. P. R. to henceforth tabulate all statistics at Montreal may prevent the preparation of those valuable reports heretofore issued. It is, however, to be hoped that this may be overcome. But at the present time it is impossible to obtain definite and accurate figures of import and export freight tonnage, and the increase or decrease must necessarily be estimated from the numbers of carloads and by valuation.

Considering the conditions which have prevailed in all Canada there is every reason for congratulation in the statement which The Star presents today.

DON'T WORRY ABOUT DENMARK.

Considerable amusement has been created in England by the action of the Lord Chamberlain in ordering the suppression of "The Mikado." The reason given is that in this comic opera there are passages and situations caricaturing the Japanese court, which might give offence to Britain's latest allies. It is worthy of note, however, that no suggestion of anything of the kind has come from Japan, but on the contrary opinion in that country, judging from newspaper comment, is that the Lord Chamberlain has unconsciously created a more amusing situation than is to be found in the opera.

A few days ago a member of parliament drew the attention of the government to the fact that a famous drama, Hamlet, contained passages which might be offensive to Denmark. He was gravely assured by Sir Edward Grey that Hamlet would be undisturbed, but that the Mikado decision could not be reconsidered.

THE RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT HAS DECIDED TO DOUBLE TRACK THE ENTIRE SIBERIAN RAILROAD, AND WILL AS WELL INCREASE THE FERRY SERVICE ACROSS LAKE BAICAL. THE COMPARATIVELY SMALL SUM OF \$11,500,000 IS THE ESTIMATED COST, BUT THIS IS EXPLAINED BY THE ANNOUNCEMENT THAT CONVICT LABOR WILL BE USED. THERE ARE THOUSANDS OF EXILES IN SIBERIA TO WHOM DEATH WOULD BE PREFERABLE.

America has watched in sympathy the despairing efforts put forth by Dr. Marvin of Dover, in the search for his little four year old son. The father's grief, and the great anxiety under which he has labored, touched many hearts. The finding of the child's body will end the suspense, and whether the manner of the little one's death is ever learned or not, there is relief from the hopeless search.

RUBAIYAT OF "OLD PROB."

(Munsey's Magazine.)

The Weather Prophet writes, and having writ
Diligently black amongst His Clouds doth sit;
Nor all the Cold Sarcasm of the Press
Can hinder Him from thinking He is it.

And that Inverted Bowl we call the Sky
He rules from Day to Day with varied
"Yes!"

Lift not Your hands to Him for Help
—for He
As little really knows as You or I!

Myself when Young did eagerly Peruse
The "Weather Indications" in the news
For Picnics and for Balls; but evermore
What they did promise, I did surely lose.

I sometimes think that never glows so
Red
The Dawn as when the Weather Clerk
Has said:
"Tomorrow—Cloudy; Heavy Winds
and Showers!"—
And Sol comes out Right dashingly,
Instead.

Ah, Love! couldst Thou and I somehow conspire
To grasp this Weather Bureau Scheme
entire;
Would we not quickly get onto the
Job?
And then remold it to our Heart's Desire?

For He no Question makes of Ayes and Noes,
But anything that strikes His Fancy
goes;
What Others think is neither Here nor there—
He knows about it all—He knows—He knows.

UNPLEASANT BUT TRUE.

Enrique Creel, the new Mexican Ambassador, said at a dinner in Washington apropos of unpleasant truths:

"Why should we ever tell them? They are always unnecessary, and how they would! I have heard of an American Countess or Duchess—I forget which—who said to her noble husband, fondly:

"You were embarrassed when you proposed to me, Percival, were you not?"

"Yes, the man answered; 'I owed \$300,000.'"

COULD NOT CHANGE THE COURT.

One of the Justices of the Supreme Court told of a young lawyer in the west who was trying his first case before Justice Harlan.

The youthful attorney had evidently conned his argument till he knew it by heart. Before he proceeded ten minutes with his oratorical effort the Justice had decided the case in his favor and had told him so. Despite this, the young lawyer would not cease. It seemed that he had attained such a momentary triumph that he could not stop.

Finally Justice Harlan, leaning forward, and in the politest of tones said: "Mr. Blank, notwithstanding your arguments, the court has concluded to decide the case in your favor."

IT WAS BEHIND BEFORE.

Two members of the Princeton faculty during a recent hurried trip to New York were on a Broadway car when it was stopped by a blockade.

As they were near the destination they decided to get out and walk. The block was, however, soon lifted and the car overtook them.

"When we left the car," said one of the "highbrows," who, by the way, has a bit of the Celt in him, "I thought we should get on better by getting off. But after all we should have been better off if we had stayed on."

JUST LIKE ST. JOHN.

A lot of poor children were at a farm. The farmer gave them some milk to drink, the product of a prize cow.

"How do you like it?" he asked, when they had finished.

"Gee, it's fine!" said one little fellow, who added, after a thoughtful pause, "I wish our milkman kept a cow!"

IN THE WRONG PLACE.

Mrs. Flanagan—Well, I suppose we'll soon be having policemen and then you'll be out of a job.

Police Constable Flanagan—No, my dear, I fancy you'll find the strong arm of the law will always be wearing the trousers!

HEAR THE DEFENCE.

"But," said the lawyer, "your case seems hopeless. I don't see what I can do for you. You admit that you beat your wife."

"Yes," replied the defendant, "but my wife's testimony will discount that. She'd never admit that she was beaten."

AS GOOD AS A DOZEN.

Mrs. Croxway—How many lodges does your husband belong to?

Mrs. Kowler—Only one, I think, but it meets six nights in the week.

BROTHERS MEET AFTER 40 YEARS' SEPARATION

Parted During Civil War, They Fail to Recognize Each Other.

NORRISTOWN, Pa., May 4.—After being separated for forty years, two brothers, Samuel and Daniel Fisher, met here today. The brothers were parted during the civil war. After peace had been declared Samuel failed to return to his home here, and was mourned as dead. He went south, however, and located at Galveston, Texas.

Not until today did Samuel return to the scenes of his boyhood days. When the brothers met they failed to recognize each other. Samuel is the chief engineer of a large ocean steamship, which reached New York harbor yesterday from Galveston. It was his first trip north and gave him the opportunity to see his brother.

HYPNOTISM IS BLAMED FOR BIGAMY BY WOMAN

Declares Husband No. 2 Made Her Believe She Obtained Divorce From First.

WILMINGTON, Del., May 4.—On the plea that she was hypnotized by her second husband and made to believe that she had been properly divorced from her first, Mrs. Peteline Von Lenzen, alias Helen Stohl, and known here as Mrs. Lawson Hermann, hopes to obtain freedom from the charge of bigamy preferred against her by the Rhode Island authorities.

That Mrs. Von Lenzen has fully recovered from the hypnotic powers of her second husband, who is a hypnotist, theatrical manager and, until recently, proprietor of a large sanitarium, is shown by her activity in having husband No. 2 arrested on a charge of wife-beating.

Professor Hermann tells an entirely different story from his wife, declaring that he taught her hypnotism and that she is now hypnotizing the authorities into having him prosecuted. He says he married her in Cranston, R. I., in 1883, she saying that she had been divorced from Joseph Stohl, the manager of a playhouse at Passaic, N. J. Since that time he says they have quarreled frequently, and she has followed him about the country bent on prosecution.

The double hypnotic story will be related in court here next week, when the woman gets a hearing on the bigamy charge and Hermann for wife-beating.

BACHELORS OFFER BILL MAKING GIRLS ACCEPT

Want Fine Imposed if Danville Women Refuse to Wed or Receive Visitors Graciously.

DANVILLE, Ill., May 2.—An ineffective move has been made by the bachelors of Danville in the fight to prevent the appeal of the single men going through council.

In a counter petition the bachelors ask that the City Council enact an ordinance making every unmarried woman who turns down a wife-seeking man \$50. They also ask that council formulate some plan by which the unmarried woman will be forced to meet the bachelors and give them an opportunity of pressing their suits.

While Mayor Lewman, unmarried, has been suffering great humiliation as a result of the attempt of the women to force their ordinance, he is not alone now. At first the women thought they would make the mayor their sole subject of attack, but now they have turned upon two candidates for office.

The two are John Torrence, past 50 years, candidate for City Clerk on the Republican ticket, and O. Mann, single and hopeless, candidate for City Attorney on the Democratic ticket.

Both men have signs of changing their ways before election day, tomorrow, they will be moved under a storm of votes in favor of their married opponents that their friends will not recognize them.

The night after the notification of the candidates Mann appeared at a ball accompanied by a woman.

SUFFRAGETTES TAKE A MAN

And Will Try to Get Him Into Parliament Since Women are Barred.

LONDON, May 4.—Owing to the failure to secure the immediate admission of women to the House of Commons, the National Union of Women's Suffrage Clubs has decided that the next best thing is to elect an unmarried woman to the House of Commons by man.

It will, therefore, run a Parliamentary candidate of its own in the person of the lion, Bertrand Russell, who will contest the Wimbledon division on behalf of suffering women as a Liberal Free Trade Unionist.

Hundreds of suffragettes are preparing to descend upon Wimbledon and start an energetic campaign in support of Mr. Russell, who is a brother of Earl Russell and married Alice, daughter of R. Pearson Smith of Philadelphia, in 1884.

The executive committee of the Liberal party has decided not to share in the contest at Wimbledon. Mr. Russell's opponent is Mr. Henry Chaplin, who has twice been a member of Conservative cabinets. The Liberals will allow him a walkover. He is strongly opposed to woman suffrage, although he is not appealing to the electorate on this ground.

MR. AND MRS. CARDINAL WOLSELEY

LONDON, May 4.—Cardinal Wolseley is the name of a prospective bridegroom whose name has been published at St. Luke's church, Kingston-on-Thames.

OLD MAIDS SET UNWED PASTOR WILD; RESIGNS

Femininity Swarms Around Him Like Bees —Seeks Other Charge.

WORCESTER, Mass., May 4.—The Rev. Dr. Gould, of Janestown, N. Y., who is married and has a daughter, is to succeed the Rev. Dr. Edmund B. Patterson as pastor of Grace Church.

Dr. Patterson resigns to go to Louisville, Ky., because many young girls and old maids swarmed around him like bees because he would not marry.

A few of his annoyances got married, but some of the chronic cultists continued to trouble him, so he thought it best to resign.

Most of the congregation of the Grace Church prefer to have a benediction for this reason. When the board looked around for a successor to Dr. Patterson, the main requirement was that he be married.

"HAMLET" WON'T GO.

Not to be Barred in London for Fear of Offending the Dames.

LONDON, May 4.—In the House of Commons today V. D. Kennedy, member for Gwyn, asked the government with reference to the suppression of "The Mikado," whether the minister was aware that in a certain popular play called "Hamlet" the King of Denmark is portrayed as a murderer and whether he would direct the Lord Chamberlain to prohibit its further production as calculated to offend a friendly power.

Sir Edward Grey, replying in behalf of the government, said the Lord Chamberlain had acted on his own responsibility in suppressing "The Mikado," which suppression he would not reconsider, for obvious reasons.

The Lord Chamberlain's ban against the production of "The Mikado" was not enforced in Sheffield, where D'Oyley Carte's company performed it before a crowded and enthusiastic audience.

Other productions are announced. The outcry against the suppression of the piece continues. Several leading actors have published expressions of regret at the action of the Lord Chamberlain. It is noteworthy that no hint of disapproval from the Japanese themselves has appeared, although some have been quoted as saying they were astonished by the interdiction, seeing no reason for it. The situation is generally regarded as more Gilbertian than the opera itself.

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MARRIAGES.

PYE-WALSH.—In this city on Dec. 15th by Rev. J. J. Walsh, Frederick J. Pye, of Somerset street, to Miss Annie Connel, both of this city.

BIRTHS.

DORMAN.—On May 5th, to Mr. and Mrs. William W. Dorman, a son.

DEATHS.

ROBERTSON.—In this city, on May 4th, George Jardine, born at Glasgow, Warrimpy, Scotland, widow of Duncan Robertson, in her 53th year.

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WIDOW GIVES \$5,000 TO DENTIST FOR LOVE; SUES

Declares He Failed to Marry Her, and Wants Her Money Back.

PITTSBURG, May 4.—Mrs. R. L. Fraser, a wealthy and comely widow, entered suit today against D. D. Butterworth for \$5,000, with one year's interest.

A strange tale of trusting woman was brought out in the bill. Mrs. Fraser sets forth that a year ago she was in love with Butterworth, who was a struggling dentist, and that she was also in love with the glorious climate of southern California. It was suggested that she give to Butterworth \$5,000 to make good his business losses; that he would then sell out his business and marry her, going with her to Los Angeles, where they would coo and bill the rest of their life away, she having the money to keep hubby from work. She alleges that she paid Butterworth this money, and that he went through some sort of a fake sale, but really did not give up his business or marry her. So she wants her \$5,000 back.

EXPENSIVE LAW.

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DIVORCES IN MICHIGAN

BREAK ALL RECORDS

Secretary of State Reports 3,189 in a Year, a "Sad Commentary."

LANSING, Mich., May 4.—Divorce statistics compiled by the secretary of state's department for 1906, show that 3,189 decrees were granted during the year, an increase of 389 over 1905.

This is the greatest number returned in Michigan for any year since the registration of divorces began in 1867. This corresponds to a rate of 5.6 persons divorced per 1,000 population, and is about one-eighth of the marriage rate for the year. The bulletin says:

"This is a striking commentary on the condition of social life in the state, and especially in the vicinities of the hardheartedness which must characterize a large proportion of the population when we consider that nearly 50 per cent. of these cases involve, at least for the purpose of making an official court record, the charge of extreme cruelty."

UNLOADED ON CANADA

How Detroit Officials Got Rid of a Foreigner They Considered Undesirable.

WINDSOR, May 4.—Peter Tavitel, an Albanian resident of Detroit, where he is employed in his brother's restaurant, came over here yesterday afternoon to visit some friends. On attempting to return to Detroit he was refused admission by the immigration officials, on the ground that he was suffering from trichomania. The man procured a certificate from a Windsor specialist that he had no disease of the eyes, but the Detroit officials declined to accept the certificate and sent Tavitel back here, saying that he must remain out of the United States, at least until he is free from trichomania.

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PLEA OF SPANISH LABORERS

Demand Release of Ferrer and Nakens, Implicated in Attack on Alfonso.

MADRID, May 4.—Resolutions were passed at most of the May day meetings in the provinces demanding the release of Ferrer and Nakens, who are charged with being implicated in the attempt that was made by Morales upon the lives of King Alfonso and Queen Victoria when they were returning from their wedding ceremony.

Ferrer, who was the director of an anarchist school at Barcelona, is accused of knowing that Morales was to throw the bomb at the royal pair and of arranging means for Morales' escape after the deed, and Jose Nakens, who was editor of the Republican paper El Motin, published in Madrid at the time, acknowledges that he gave Morales a letter after the bomb-throwing recommending him to the good offices of friends. As Nakens had been believed to be an enemy of anarchism his confession made a great sensation.

Without Alcohol